

Special Park Use

San José's parks are the sites for many special events. To hold a special event in a City of San José public park, a permit is needed. Permits/applications can be obtained at Leininger Center, located at 1300 Senter Road, San José, CA 95112, Monday through Friday, 8am-5pm. If you are interested in staging a special event in a park, we request that you apply early. Regional Park facilities are available for reservation on a limited basis. Neighborhood Parks are not generally available for Special Park Use. Guidelines vary for each park and most require special event support, such as police services, fire and health permits, and insurance. There are fees for the use and permits. Please contact 408-277-4191 for more information.

Christmas In The Park

Christmas in the Park is organized as a non-profit corporation known as **Christmas in the Park**, **Inc**. It is comprised of volunteer citizens who donate their time and energy to make the exhibit a reality each year. As co-sponsor, the City of San José, Department of Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services, works closely with the Board of Directors to bring this "Gift of Joy and Magic" to more than 400,000 visitors annually. Board members and community volunteers donate more than 257,000 hours and raise funds year-round to support this well-loved holiday tradition in San José.

During the month of December, Plaza de Cesar Chavez, is transformed into a holiday fantasy with over 60 musical and animated exhibits, hundreds of decorated trees and thousands of twinkling lights. Guests enter a winter wonderland of lights, songs and entertainment by local schools and groups, and stroll through a forest of trees decorated by San José schools, community groups and businesses. For more information, call 408-277-3303 or visit www.christmasinthepark.com.

San José Holiday Parade

The San José Holiday Parade, considered one of the "TOP 25 PARADES IN AMERICA" by the International Festivals and Events Association, is the largest parade of its kind in Northern California, and one of the largest in the state. Each year on the second Sunday following Thanksgiving, the parade ushers in the holidays with its giant helium balloons, over two dozen marching bands, creative floats, dozens of specialty units, fun characters and Santa Claus.

The **San José Holiday Parade** is a program of PRNS and produced in conjunction with Christmas in the Park and NBC11. For more information on the San José Holiday Parade, including volunteer information or sponsorship, visit www.sanjoseholidayparade.com or call **408-277-3303**.



Experience all that downtown San Jose has to offer—arts, retail, restaurants, and holiday fun!



Downtown Ice—outdoor ice-skating Nov. 21 - Jan. 19 Corner of Market and Viola Streets



Winter Wonderland—rides and fun Nov. 26 - Jan. 4 Repertory Theater Plaza and the San Jose Museum of Art Plaza



Holiday Gallery of Gifts—unique gifts and art Nov. 28 - Dec. 20, Mon. - Sat. 12pm - 7pm 55 S. First Street, corner of First and Post Streets



Christmas in the Park
Dec. 5 - Jan. 1
Plaza de Cesar Chavez



San Jose Holiday Parade Dec. 7 at 8:30am Begins at Santa Clara and Market Streets



Downtown Farmer's Market Through Dec. 19, Fridays 10am-2pm San Pedro Square

For more info call 888 SAN JOSE or visit www.sjdowntown.com

